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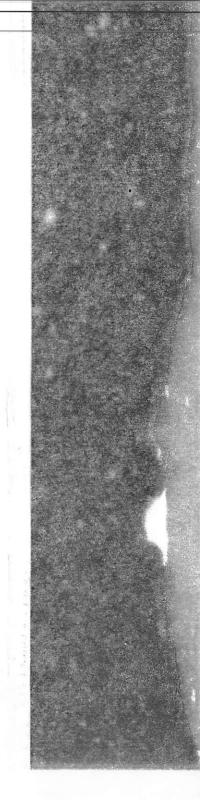
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The William Denton Moulton home built in 1877 in Hailstone. This home was a well known spot on the stage coach line. It was one of the showplaces in the valley in the early days.

"refrigerator like" pantry, three full rooms and a vegetable cellar in the basement. The floors were cedar, an inch and a half thick.

Mr. Moulton prospered in selling supplies to mining camps at Park City. He set up a complete spread on his ranch to handle his business, including a two-story milk shed with a pipeline leading to the dairy room in the house and another pipe line leading back to the calf shed for skim milk. There was a large slaughter house, an ice house and a well inside the barn. For its day it was very complete.

The house became so well known that the stage coach line from Heber City to Salt Lake built a side road so that passengers could view both back and front of the home and its surroundings.

When Mr. Moulton died his brother-in-law Orson H. Lee became foreman and owner of the property and for 30 years carried on the same work, selling supplies to mining camps as Mr. Moulton did. His three sons helped in the operation, and one son, Fay Lee, owned the property until it was torn down in 1959 to make way for new highway developments.

Others who came to the Hailstone area to homestead included Henry Cluff, Henry H. Walker, Benjamin Norris, John Buttery, Edward Dillon, John Swift and a Mr. Walkey. A daughter of the Hailstones, Emily, and her husband, Joseph Morris, operated the original Hailstone property, and their sons Harry, Moroni and Rodney and then the sons of Harry Morris took over the operation.

When William Davis died in 1891 his property was taken over by his sons William H. and Robert Davis. In 1939 some of the land was sold to the New Park Mining Company and the remaining part was sold to the LDS Church for a welfare farm.

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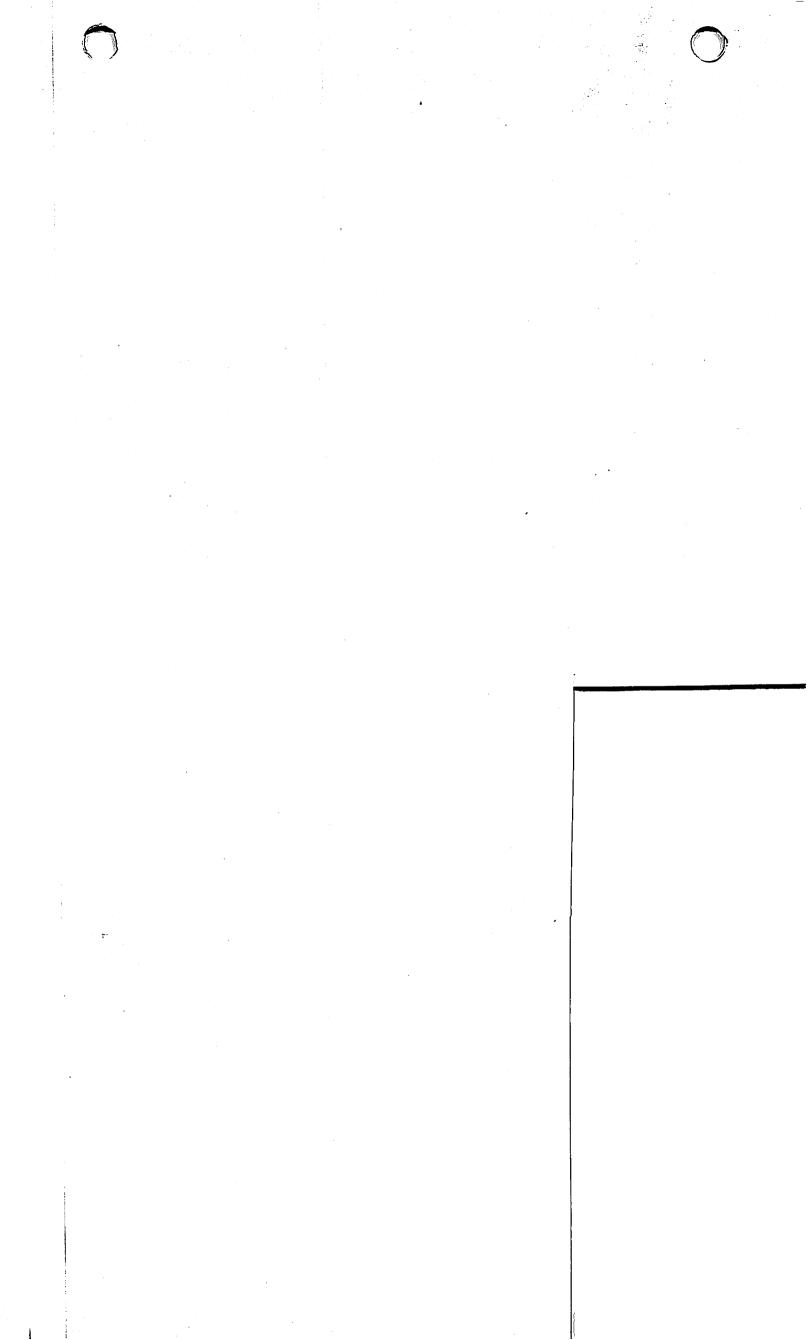
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## PIONEER LIFE

Wasatch settlers brought to the pioneer struggle very little in the way of material resources. An ox or two, a wagonload of goods, and usually a gun were the items constituting their physical possessions. There were no homes to come to with rugs, furniture, beds, and lights. Nor were there roads, or schools, or church buildings, stores, or a thousand and one other things to which we are accustomed. These had to be built and at the same time crops had to be raised and shelter provided.

Shelter is perhaps a better word than home to describe the first hurried building by a people who had to spend most of their time plowing the land and putting in a crop. A wikiup made of brush, covered with wheatgrass and dirt, or a dugout in a hill—whichever was most expedient—was the common solution.

The food was also appropriate to their situation. Elizabeth Fillmore tells how John and Mary Ann Faucett moved to Midway when there were only five families there: "They lived in a dugout the first year and subsisted on roots, large squirrels, and boiled wheat."

As soon as the first crops were planted, a number of log cabins rose to replace the dugouts and wikinps. They were to last until the sawmills were built to provide the lumber for frame houses and furniture. These log cabins were chinked with mud and roofed with long grass and dirt. The entire family crowded into the single room with a fireplace in one end and the beds in the other. The beds were built into the wall by running

John Crook, "History of Wassitch County," op. cit., p. 6. E. Z. Fillmore, "Biography of John and Mary Faucett," MSS, (Daughters of Utah Pioneers Historical Collection, Heber City, 1951).

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The site of Hailstone was settled about 1863 and was named for Stephen Hailstone who established a ranch there. Mr. Hailstone married Emily Davis the daughter of William Davis. Mr. William Davis came directly from Wiltshire, England to Hailstone in 1864 and lived there with his family most of his life. He was the presiding elder of that district, which included the country as far as Keetley, for some years.

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Plans for Gathering HISTORY on the Wasatch County hamlet of: ELKHORN

1. Find out how it got its name 7 WmPerrettHailstone
2. Find pictures of Elkhorn School
3 Find other pictures of Elkhorn from Zella Blackley

(4 Find later pictures of Pole Camp from Bill Sweeney & Gt. Lakes Timber operation.

5. Find out when the School was moved & where to

6. Find out who the teachers were at that school - all of ém & dates

7. Go to school board office & see if there is a history of Wasatch Co. Schools

8. Get copies of those histories of the Elkhorn School

9. Get copy of history of Elkhorn from Zella Davis Blackley

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	2. Gather all info. on John COLLINS & Mary Goddard Collins	1 Feb 1975
	3. Gather Info. from Bertha Bowman in Idaho Falls = Don & Blanche	a bout 1965
	4. Visit Emma Davis Jordan many times in Heber Utah	1962-196
	5. Visit & Lydia Hausey about Elkhorn while she was in Wasatch Co. Hospital	Jan 1975
	6. Visit & Ethel Johnson	
	7. Visit & Zella Blackley & got histories of her Parents, 40 pictures of Elkhorn & Hailstone Davis 3	Sun 2-2-75
	8. Find an Area Map of Jordanelle, Hailstone, Elkhorn, Keetley, Moultonville	3-23-81
	9. Make a list of all families who have ever lived in these hamlets	
	10. Seek histories and FGS and pictures of all the descendants of Hailstone etc Families	
	11. Glean all scraps of History from book: "Under Wasatch Skies" - Dup	
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